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Remarks

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2006. Claims 1-38 are pending in this application. The Office Action rejected claims 1-23 and 33-38 under 35 USC § 103 citing Roth (US 4119202) in view of Anderson et al. (US 5887717; hereinafter "Anderson"); rejected claims 26-32 under 35 USC § 103 citing Roth in view of Anderson and further in view of Copping (US 3118537 and/or US 3302784); and indicated the presence of allowable subject matter in claims 24 and 25.

By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended to incorporate subject matter that was indicated as allowable. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute all cancelled subject matter in a subsequent patent application claiming priority to the immediate application. Reconsideration in view of the above amendment and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Office Action's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 24 and 25. However, for the reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully assert that all of the claims are directed to allowable subject matter and that the application is in condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections

The Office Action rejects, under 35 USC § 103, claims 1-23 and 33-38 over Roth in view of Anderson and claims 26-32 over Roth in view of Anderson and further in view of Copping.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite an adhesive. The Office Action, at page 6, indicated that the prior art of record does not teach an adhesive. Thus, the rejections under 35 USC § 103 are believed to be rendered moot.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejections under 35 USC § 103.

Conclusion

Based on at least the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully

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submit this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-38 are earnestly solicited.

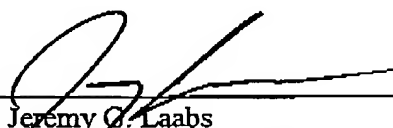
Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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